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For : **METHOD AND DEVICE FOR EVALUATING CHANGE IN GEL STATE  
OR SOL-GEL STATE OF MATERIAL BODY****SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

Further to the request by the Examiner, Applicants include copies herewith of the below documents cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed September 23, 2003 and listed on the attached PTO-1449 Form filed on said date. Applicants note that the Examiner indicated that consideration of the below references would be provided and that the initialed copy of the PTO-1449 Form will be forwarded to the undersigned to indicate such consideration. A Notice of Allowance was mailed on August 16, 2007; however, the issue fee has not yet been paid.

More specifically, Applicants request consideration of the following articles (as the other disclosed references have already been initialed) as provided on the attached PTO-1449 Form:

1. Solid State Physics, Vol. 28, No. 4, 1993;
2. Homepage of Otsuka Denshi, retrieved on March 16, 2002; and
3. T. Dor, et al., "The Continuous Observation of Milk Coagulation with Light Scattering by Means of Optical Fiber", Journal of Food Science and Technology, Col. 39, No. 4, 1992, pages 309-315.

Applicants note that referenced 2 and 3 are discussed in the present specification and, as such, a concise English language translation of these documents has already been provided.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,  
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